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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed November 1, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 10-13 as follows:

1. A method comprising:
managing a virtual private network including an extranet switch by
transmitting a script for requesting information describing at least one virtual private
network attribute from multiple computers providing at least one virtual private network
function, the script including a script command;
receiving the information;
preparing a report by organizing the received information into a table that lists each of the
multiple computers and the corresponding virtual private network attribute received from each of
the multiple computers; and
displaying the prepared report to a user.

10. A method comprising:
managing a virtual private network including an extranet switch by

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